



Rumboldswyke Newsletter 28th February 2019



'Love life, love learning'

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This half term started with great excitement. The Early Years children arrived in their Superhero costumes on Monday to start their topic of Heroes and Superheroes.



They will be looking at people who help us who are real and fictional.



Year 1 and 2 children enjoyed their Pirate Day on Tuesday to set off their Pirates and Explorers work. They had a variety of activities including making pirate maps, decorating and filling treasure boxes and writing instructions to find their pirate treasure!

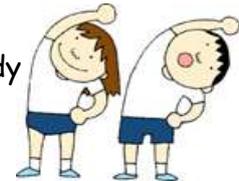
Both topics have inspired the children and they are now ready to continue their learning journey finding out lots of interesting facts and developing new skills.

Attendance

All children must be in school, on time, every day. Research shows that children who have poor attendance do not do so well at school and could be highly disadvantaged by the time they take their GCSE exams. School officially starts at 8.55 when the classroom doors open. Children must be in class by 9.00 for the register to be taken. Please make sure your child has had a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast, then they should be ready to learn. Thank you

Year One Gym Festival

As part of our Sports Partnership work, the Year One children have the opportunity to attend a Gymnastics Festival at The Regis School, Bognor Regis. Please can all Y1 parents ensure they have completed and returned the permission form. Please also ensure your child comes in to school in their full PE kit at 8.25am on Thursday 7th March ready to leave at 8.40am. Thank you.



Momo Challenge.

Sadly I have to tell you that there is a dreadful internet threat around at the moment targeting children and young adults.

You may have heard of the Momo Challenge. It is NOT a fun challenge. Momo is a sinister 'challenge' that has been around for some time. It is used to torment and horrify children using specific apps.

It has recently resurfaced and has come to the attention of schools and children across the country. It is known as 'the suicide killer game'. Momo has been heavily linked with apps such as YouTube, Facebook, Whatsapp and most recently and very worrying, YouTube Kids. The Advice is currently to either stop your child using YouTube or be VERY careful and keep an eye on your child at all times when they are playing with an electronic device. Our online safety briefing held earlier this month had useful information for you to keep your child safe at home. We attach it again with this newsletter.

Year Two Ukulele Lessons



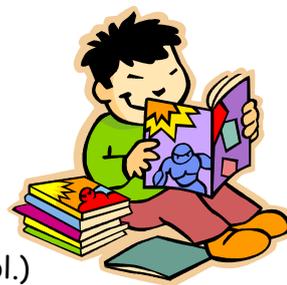
Starting this week for 6 weeks on a Friday, children in Year 2 will be able to learn how to play a ukulele. The lessons are funded by our Chair of Governors, Mr David Barty to whom we are very grateful. The AFRS has bought 7 ukuleles for the children to use in school.

Book Fair

Our Book Fair will be open from Thursday 21st to Wednesday 27th March. (Details and times to follow)

The Fair has been very successful for many years, giving our families the opportunity to look at books together and provide new books for our classroom libraries.

(We receive 50% of the total sales in free books for the school.)



You will also be able to use your World Book token (sent previously) to get £1 off any book worth £2.99 or more at the fair.

Year Two Library Visit

As you know on Friday 8th March Year Two children will be visiting Chichester library. The class teachers and a member of staff will walk the children to the library at 1.30pm. If you would like to help escort the children please let us know.

For those of you who returned the form requesting a library card, these will be given out on the visit which will enable you and your child to borrow books from the library. Please see the office if you would like another copy of the letter and form.

Please remember to return your form with the details of who will collect your child from the library at 2.45pm by Monday 4th March.

You are welcome to stay and share a book with your child - Remember to bring your library card!

KS1 visit to HMS Victory



Year One and Two children will be visiting the Historic Dockyard in Portsmouth on Wednesday 13th March for the day.

A letter with all the information will be sent to you next week.

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Keeping safe online at home

- Start setting some boundaries; even at this early age ... it's never too early to do things like setting limits for the amount of time they can spend on the computer.
- Buy or download parental control software, switch it on and keep it updated. There are many versions on the market, which work in different ways and available at a range of prices, starting at free.
- The big four Internet Service Providers (ISPs) give their customers free parental controls which can be activated at any time. Check them out and take advantage of them.
- Agree a list of websites your child is allowed to visit and the kind of personal information they shouldn't reveal about themselves online, such as the name of their school or their home address.
- Set time limits for activities such as using the internet and games consoles.
- Make sure your child is accessing only age-appropriate content by checking out the age ratings on games, online TV, films and apps.
- Discuss with your older children what they should or shouldn't be showing their younger siblings on the internet, mobile devices, games consoles and other devices.
- Discuss with other parents subjects such as what age to buy children devices that connect to the internet.
- Don't be pressured by your child into letting them use certain technologies or view certain online content, if you don't think they are old enough or mature enough... no matter how much they pester you or what their friends' parents allow.
- Make sure devices like your mobile, tablet or laptop are out of reach. Set up passwords/PINs and make sure you keep these details to yourself.
- Share your technology rules with grandparents, babysitters and your child's friends' parents so that they know what to do when looking after your child.
- When using public WiFi - for example in cafés or hotels - remember that it might not include parental controls. Innocently letting your child play with your mobile or tablet while you're enjoying a latte may result in them accessing inappropriate content or revealing personal information.
- If you have a family computer or tablet, set the homepage to an appropriate website such as CBeebies